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This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement contained in the Office communication mailed October 24, 2005. Without acquiescing to the statements made therein, Applicants hereby elect with traverse the claims of Invention I, claims 1-8, 13-18, 42-45 and 49, for prosecution in the instant application. Applicants further respectfully request at least the claims of Invention III, claims 19-41, which are method claims corresponding to the protein claims of Invention I, be examined together for reasons set forth below. Applicants also amend the above-identified application.

Prior to examining the instant application on its merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.